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AMENDMENT

Examiner: Forrest M. Phillips

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In re application of:

ROBERT MIRLACH, ET AL.

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Customer No. 20350

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Sir:

Applicants request a two-month extension of time from June 24, 2009 to

August 24, 2009 and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2009, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.